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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In response to the communication dated August 27, 2001 (copy enclosed), applicants submit herewith a Sequence Listing in computer readable form as required by 37 CFR §1.824. In addition, applicants submit an initial Sequence Listing as required under 37 CFR §1.823(a) and a statement under 37 CFR §1.821(f).

Applicants respectfully request entry of the paper copy and computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing filed herewith for the instant application. Furthermore, applicants request entry of the following amendments.

In the specification:

Insert the paper copy of the Sequence Listing filed herewith following the Oath/Declaration.

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